

## Recycling Services Timeline Changes coming in April 2014!

The City asked and you told us that you want expanded recycling services. You want to recycle more plastic material. You want the recycling program to be more convenient. You want to dispose of big bulky items easily. And you want more opportunity to compost organics. This timeline outlines the City's plan to improve recycling services over the next three years.



2016 +

2015

2014

2013

April

Launch single sort recycling collection.

Boost recycling in Saint Paul with additional education and outreach.

Expand plastics recycling to include all #1, #2, #4, #5, and #7 bottles and containers.

Increase backyard composting education and expand organics drop off sites. Provide more opportunities to reuse and dispose of bulky items like furniture and appliances.

Convert to a wheeled, covered cart for recycling collection.

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Transition







## Why this plan?

- The Wilder Research Foundation report states Saint Paul residents want to recycle and compost more with greater convenience.
- •The State of Minnesota has set aggressive goals to reduce waste as well as increase recycling and composting of organics by 2030. By recycling and composting, we will improve public health, reduce landfills, conserve energy and natural resources, and reduce pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

For more information on the upcoming program changes and the Recycle it *Forward* process, visit: <a href="www.stpaul.gov/recycleitforward">www.stpaul.gov/recycleitforward</a> or contact Kris Hageman, Environmental Coordinator at 651-266-8866 or kris.hageman@ci.stpaul.mn.us.